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SUBJ: CROWN PRINCE FAHD STATEMENT AFTER ATHERTON VISIT; PROPOSED
REPLY

1. FOLLOWING STATEMENT APPEARED IN OKAZ DAILY AUGUST 11:
QTE CROWN PRINCE FAHD BIN ABDUL AZIZ...RECEIVED MR ALFRED
ATHERTON...WHO BRIEFED HIM ON THE RESULTS OF TALKS HELD BY
SECRETARY OF STATE CYRUS VANCE RECENTLY IN THE REGION WHICH
LED TO PRESIDENT CARTER'S CALL FOR A SUMMIT MEETING AT CAMP DAVID
ON SEPTEMBER 5TH.

HRH SAID HIS MAJESTY KING KHALID APPRECIATES PRESIDENT CARTER'S PER-
SONAL EFFORTS AND USE OF THE GOOD OFFICES OF THE UNITED STATES TO
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REACH AN OVERALL JUST SOLUTION TO THE MIDDLE EAST PROBLEM AND THE
PALESTINIAN QUESTION. HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS EXPRESSED HOPE
AND OPTIMISM THAT SUCH A MEETING, WITH THE PARTICIPATION OF
PRESIDENT CARTER AND THE WORLD-WIDE PRESTIGE, STATUS AND WEIGHT HE
BRINGS WITH HIM, WILL BE A BIG STEP TOWARD ACHIEVING THE DESIRED
JUST PEACE.

PRINCE FAHD DESCRIBED PRESIDENT CARTER'S CALL FOR SUCH A MEETING AS A COURAGEOUS STEP AND AN ENCOURAGING INDICATOR OF HIS GOOD INTENTIONS AND THE GENUINE DESIRE OF THE US TO ASSUME A MORE EFFECTIVE ROLE IN REACHING A COMPREHENSIVE AND JUST SOLUTION AND ATTAIN PEACE IN THE REGION. THIS DESERVES THE APPRECIATION OF THE KINGDOM.

AT THE SAME TIME, HRH EXPRESSED SORROWFULNESS AT ISRAEL'S DECLARATION OF ITS INREADINESS TO CHANGE ITS INTRANSIGENT STANDS IN SUCH A WAY AS TO SERVE RIGHT AND JUSTICE AND HELP PRESIDENT CARTER AND THE US ADMINISTRATION IN THEIR EFFORTS TO ACHIEVE A JUST PEACE IN THE AREA. UNQUOTE.

2. FOLLOWING PROPOSED TEXT FOR STATEMENT BY AMBASSADOR ATHERTON TO BE RELEASED IN KINGDOM TODAY IF DEPARTMENT CONCURS. STATEMENT APPROVED BY AMB ATHERTON PRIOR TO DEPARTURE:

BEGIN TEXT: AS ALWAYS, OUR VISIT TO THE KINGDOM AND OUR TALKS WITH HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS CROWN PRINCE FAHD AND HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS PRINCE SAUD BIN FAISAL WERE MARKED BY THE TRADITIONAL HOSPITALITY OF THE SAUDI PEOPLE AND THE FRIENDLINESS AND UNDERSTANDING THAT HAVE ALWAYS BEEN THE HALLMARKS OF THE SPECIAL RELATIONSHIP ENJOYED BY OUR TWO COUNTRIES. I WELCOMED THIS OPPORTUNITY TO CONVEY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF SAUDI ARABIA, AT THE REQUEST OF SECRETARY VANCE, MY GOVERNMENT'S VIEWS OF THE PROSPECTS FOR PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST AND TO HEAR THE VIEWS OF THE SAUDI GOVERNMENT.

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PRESIDENT CARTER, BY INVITING PRESIDENT SADAT AND PRIME MINISTER BEGIN TO JOIN HIM FOR TALKS AT CAMP DAVID AT THE END OF RAMADAN HAS DEMONSTRATED AMERICA'S DETERMINATION TO HELP ACHIEVE AN AGREED FRAMEWORK FOR PEACE. WE GREATLY APPRECIATE THE SUPPORT OF THE KINGDOM OF SAUDI ARABIA FOR THE CAMP DAVID MEETING, AND REMAIN HOPEFUL THAT THE TALKS BETWEEN THE TWO LEADERS, WITH PRESIDENT CARTER AS A PARTICIPANT, WILL HELP TO OPEN THE PATH TOWARD THE JUST AND LASTING PEACE WE ALL SEEK. END TEXT

3. REQUEST NIACT IMMEDIATE REPLY TO FACILITATE RELEASE FOR HEAVY CIRCULATION SATURDAY PAPERS.
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